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FIERCE BAYONET FIGHTING

Battle Rages Over Spot Where Noted Irish Statesman, William Redmond, Is Buried.

(International News Service.)
London, May 1.—The French have improved their positions in the sector of Loore, the British war office announced today.
(During hard fighting on Tuesday the French regained the whole of the village of Loore, pressing back the Germans from the footing they had gained there. Loore is in Belgium, about seven miles southwest of Ypres, and is an important position by reason of the fact that it lies on high ground.)
French troops are engaged in that sector. The fighting raged over the spot where the well-known Irish statesman, William Redmond, is buried. At one time the ground in which the grave lies was held by the Germans, but afterwards it was recaptured by the allied forces.
Fierce bayonet fighting raged around Voormezele, six miles northeast of the scene of the French victory at Loore yesterday.
British troops held the front at Voormezele, and the Germans poured in upon them in successive waves. The Britons held their ground and inflicted tremendous losses. The Germans fled pell-mell, leaving countless dead and wounded behind.
The text of the official report follows:
"A local attack by the enemy yesterday against one of our posts in the neighborhood of St. Julien was repulsed."
"Machine gun posts held by the enemy in the district of Metereen were rushed by our troops during the night and a few prisoners were taken."
"By a successful minor enterprise last night the French improved their positions in the sector of Loore."

MARINE INSURANCE RATES MUCH REDUCED

Drops Significant of Fact That "U-Boats Are Not Getting the Ships."

(International News Service.)
Washington, May 1.—The effectiveness of German U-boats against American cargo ships has been so greatly reduced that a new reduction in marine insurance rates will be announced by the war risk insurance bureau probably late this afternoon.
"The U-boats simply are not getting the ships," William A. Delany, director of the war risk insurance bureau, told the house interstate and foreign commerce committee today. That is the fact and the fact reflects an enormous amount of credit on the wonderful convoy system perfected by the navy department.
Since the formation of the war risk insurance bureau, he said, it had made \$1,000,000 net profit. This had been possible in the face of a constant reduction in marine insurance rates. Starting at 6 1/2 per cent, the rate has now been reduced to 3 per cent, and it was expected it would be still further reduced.
Delany spoke in favor of amendments to the war risk insurance act which would permit the bureau to make use of friendly neutrals, as well as that of the United States and its co-belligerents. This was necessary, he said, because American insurance companies, dependent on the assistance formerly given by the German companies operating in the United States, are not able to take care of the business.

Loss Russian Seaport West Archangel Denied

(Associated Press.)
Stockholm, May 1.—Reports that the Russian seaport west of Archangel, on the Mourman railway line, had been occupied by Finnish government troops are denied by the Finnish legation here. The legation stated to the Associated Press correspondent that the force which occupied the town was from the Russian Karelian home guard, this occupancy in no wise threatening traffic on the line.

POLICY AS TO TURKS AND BULGARS TO BE STATED

(International News Service.)
Washington, May 1.—Definite announcement of the administration's policy with regard to Turkey and Bulgaria will be conveyed to congress by Secretary of State Lansing tomorrow, when he will meet with the senate foreign relations committee.

TWO TRAINMEN KILLED IN LACKAWANNA WRECK

(International News Service.)
Scranton, Pa., May 1.—Two trainmen were killed when a light engine crashed into the caboose of a Lackawanna freight train at Nayaga today. The dead are William Green, conductor, Binghamton, N. Y., and James Jennings, flagman, Scranton, Pa.

Back Areas Between Ypres And Hazebrouck Shelled

Emperor William Makes His Usual Flamboyant Speech to Troops — Claims Germans Will Put British Back to English Channel.

(Associated Press.)
British Army in Flanders, May 1.—Heavy artillery firing continued at various parts of the battle line during the night and there were the usual outpost actions. The back areas between Ypres and Hazebrouck were heavily shelled by the Germans. An enemy attempt yesterday afternoon to cut the barbed wire at Wietje was dispersed by artillery fire.
Emperor William appears to have been an interested and active visitor in the Flanders region yesterday. According to prisoners, he has been making his usual flamboyant speeches to troops, and he has been trying to separate the British and German armies, adding characteristically, that the Germans were going to "put the British back across the English channel where they belonged."
Geneva, Switzerland, May 1.—The German crown prince himself has fired several shots with a gun with which Paris is being bombarded, Cologne dispatch says. He is greatly interested in the working of the guns, according to the dispatch, and has visited the spot frequently.

CALL ISSUED FOR MORE DRAFTMEN

Provost Marshal-General Asks for 8,985 to Take Training as Mechanics.

(Associated Press.)
Washington, May 1.—A call for 8,985 additional draft men was issued today by the provost-marshal general. They are to be sent to twenty-two institutions scattered throughout the country for a two-months' course of training in various mechanical studies.
The men will be mobilized May 16 with the exception of those from Virginia, who will be called May 23. They will receive training as auto-mechanics and chauffeurs, machinists, blacksmiths, sheet metal workers, general mechanics, carpenters, electricians, radio operators, concrete workers and telegraphers. They will be unassigned until after the completion of their courses.
In the southern states the call was divided as follows:
From Alabama, 200 to go to the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa; Florida, 250 negroes, Tuskegee university; Georgia, 250, University of Georgia, Athens, Ga.; Louisiana, 600, Tulane university, New Orleans; Mississippi, 460, Mississippi A. & M. college; North Carolina, 160, North Carolina college of agriculture, West Raleigh, N. C.; South Carolina, 200, Clemson agricultural college, Clemson, S. C.; Texas, 500, University of Texas, Austin; Virginia, 600, University of Virginia; West Virginia, 500, Richmond school board; State Fair grounds, Richmond, Va., and also 100 to University of Akron, Akron, O.

SEA CAPTAIN ACQUITTED OF CHARGE OF MURDER

Killed Man Who Cursed American Flag — Given Ovation by Soldiers.

Honolulu, April 30.—A jury, after deliberating six minutes, today acquitted Capt. Henry Allen, retired sea captain, who on April 14 last shot and killed S. J. Walker for cursing the American flag.
Immediately after his acquittal Allen was surrounded by soldiers, who draped a flag about him and formed a bodyguard about him as he left the courtroom.
Walker, while dying, admitted he had been shot after he had condemned the United States flag and expressed the hope that all American soldiers in Europe would be killed.
The mortality in the camp of the deported Belgians, it reports, is terrible. The numbers sent back as unfit are replaced by fresh recruits.

Terrible Mortality Among Deported Belgians

(Associated Press.)
London, May 1, via Ottawa.—Twenty-five thousand Belgian men and boys have been compelled to work on military operations under the whip of German sentries behind the German lines in the regions of Valenciennes and Maubeuge alone, according to Reuters.

DENIES FARMERS' LEAGUE IS DISLOYAL

Categorical Statement Made by St. Paul Man Who Is Under Indictment.

(Associated Press.)
Washington, May 1.—Charges that leaders and members of farmers' national nonpartisan leagues were disloyal were answered today before the senate military committee by A. C. Townley, of St. Paul, the league's president, who is under indictment for alleged violations of Minnesota's laws. Townley was given an opportunity to reply to the statement of Judge John F. McGee, of Minneapolis, in the committee's consideration of the Chamberlain court-martial bill. Townley categorically denied the organization was disloyal.

ARCH SCHEMER AND FINANCER OF PLOTS ARRESTED

Man Left Behind by Count Von Bernstorff Held, But Name Not Disclosed.

IS MERCILESSLY GRILLED

Government Claims They Have Now in Hand Chief of Entire German Spy System.

(International News Service.)
New York, May 1.—The paymaster "the man higher up" not only in the spreading of German literary and secret propaganda in this country, but who is now accused of being the arch schemer and financier of German incendiary and bomb plots, the chief agent left in America by Count Von Bernstorff, was arrested here today by federal authorities.
This announcement was made by the government authorities this afternoon without qualification as to the importance of the capture.
Federal officials refused to disclose the name of the man arrested, but said he was a lieutenant-commander of the imperial German navy and had been taken into custody at 2 o'clock this morning at a fashionable downtown hotel.
Late this afternoon he was in a branch detective bureau of the local police department being mercilessly grilled. The government claims evidence to show that he was the chief of the German spy system, not only in the United States, but throughout both North and South America.
(Associated Press.)
New York, May 1.—The arrest of the German naval officer who has thus far figured in the records of the federal authorities as "Lieut. Com. X," follows on the heels of the apprehension Saturday of Marie d'Almeida, alleged to have been one of his most valuable lieutenants.

LARGEST SINGLE DAY IN LIBERTY LOAN DRIVE

Sales on Monday Run Up to Total of Over a Hundred Million Dollars.

(International News Service.)
Washington, May 1.—The official total for the third Liberty Loan drive, announced by the treasury department today, shows the largest single day's business recorded so far in the campaign. The latest sum for the nation was \$245,774,900 at the close of business April 29, and the record increase occurred on Monday, when bond sales amounted to \$174,443,000.
The remaining days of the drive will be spent in a thorough round-up of the slackers. Every pledge is being run down by loan committees, and efforts to encourage every purchaser, who has already subscribed, to buy just one bond more on the monthly installment plan. If necessary, are being made by salesmen in every community. The loan as it stands now is about 81 per cent. subscribed.
The latest stages of the forward movement to the front were made on cold, misty mornings of two days, while rain was falling.
The nights have been generally clear.
One of the most popular marching songs while the boys were en route was "Hail, Hail, the Gang's All Here." But it had to divide hundreds with a sort of chant which ran:
"Iodine and pills, iodine and pills,
Good for rheumatism, good for chills."

Sailors of Cargo Ships Paid Tribute by Baker

Washington, May 1.—"American military forces in Europe constantly are on the increase," Secretary Baker today told a conference of shipowners and leaders of seamen's unions. Mr. Baker said a vital necessity of continuing the American military effort lay in the provision of adequate cargo space. He commended the purpose of the conference, which is to promote plans for recruiting men to man America's new merchant marine, and paid a high tribute to sailors on cargo ships, who, he said, take as high hazards and perform as patriotic service as any other men of the nation.

RESIGNS TO BOOST SALE OF FARM LOAN BONDS

(Associated Press.)
Washington, May 1.—To boost the sale of farm loan bonds after the Liberty loan campaign, F. J. H. Von Engelen has resigned as president of the federal farm loan board announced today. For several months few farm loan bonds have been sold publicly, but \$45,000,000 have been secured by the treasury from a \$100,000,000 fund provided by congress for that purpose. D. A. Houston, of Monroe, N. C., has been appointed head of the Columbia bank.

SAFEGUARD GERMANY'S INTEREST IN SHIP TREATY

(International News Service.)
Amsterdam, May 1.—The Vossische Zeitung, of Berlin, in stating that a shipping agreement is to be concluded among America, England and Denmark points out in its comment that Germany should safeguard her interests, recalling the transportation dispute with Holland, according to a report from Berlin today.

ANGLO-FRENCH BATTERIES SHELLING MONT KEMMEL

Hilltop Captured by Enemy Under Constant Fire and Threatens to Become Death Trap. He Must Push Beyond Vantage Point or Be Lost.

British Headquarters in France, May 1 (via Ottawa).—The Franco-British batteries are constantly shelling Mont Kemmel. Unless the enemy can push on beyond this isolated stronghold, the hilltop may become virtually a death trap.
The advantage to the enemy is a tactical one. He is now committed to an attempt to push on and capture the whole chain of hills.

MAN CAUSE OF WORLD WAR DEAD OVER TOLL LINES

Assassin of Austrian Duke Ferdinand and Wife in 1914 Dies of Tuberculosis.

(Associated Press.)
London, May 1.—Gavrio Princip, the assassin of Archduke Francis Ferdinand, heir apparent to the Austro-Hungarian throne, and his wife, at Sarajevo, Bosnia, died yesterday in a fortress near Prague of tuberculosis, telegraphed the correspondent at The Hague of the Exchange Telegraph company.
Princip shot to death the Austrian archduke and his wife while they were on a visit to the Bosnian capital on June 28, 1914, and out of this double murder the European war developed. Princip was found guilty and sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment.
Princip fired two explosive bullets from a revolver at the Austrian heir apparent, the first striking the archduke's wife in the abdomen and the second taking effect in the neck of the archduke. Both bullets caused death within a short time.
Earlier in the day Medjojevic, prince of Serbian nationality, had thrown a bomb, which the archduke ward off with his arm so that it exploded some distance from his automobile. The bomb injured six persons. Gabriovic was sentenced to twenty years' imprisonment. Four other conspirators were sentenced to death by hanging, one to life imprisonment and one to twenty years in jail.

German Naval Officer Arrested in New York

(Associated Press.)
New York, May 1.—Federal authorities today arrested here a German naval lieutenant commander, who is said to be the head of enemy propaganda in America, having been delegated to this work by Count Von Bernstorff when the former German ambassador left this country. Pending other expected arrests, the prisoner's name was withheld.
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NAMES BRIDGES FOR HIS LEADING GENERALS

(Associated Press.)
Berlin, (via London), May 1.—At the direction of Emperor William, says an official announcement issued today, three new Rhine bridges have been named for the German crown prince, Field-Marshal von Hindenburg and Gen. Ludendorff. In a message to the crown prince, Emperor William said:
"It is a great pleasure for me to tell you I today ordered that the Rhine bridges near Rudesheim, which was built in great times and is to render important services in the country's defense, shall be called the 'Crown Prince William Bridge.' The administration of Prussian state railways which has the proposal to me desires in this way gratefully to perpetuate your name as an army leader."
Emperor William similarly honored Von Hindenburg by having a bridge near Rudesheim called the 'Field Marshal Gen. von Hindenburg bridge.' The bridge near Remagen has been named 'Quartiermaster-General of Infantry Ludendorff bridge.'

Emperor Undertakes to Perpetuate Names As Army Leaders With Bridges on Rhine.

(Associated Press.)
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BERLIN EAGER FOR MORE ACTION ON ITALIAN FRONT

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COMPANY "SPOTTERS" MUDDLING SITUATION

(International News Service.)
Atlanta, May 1.—The lookout augmented Sunday by the Western Union and Postal Telegraph companies against members of the telegraphers' union continued today. Fifteen more men have been discharged here and it is reported ten more have been discharged by the Postal in Atlanta. District organizer Joseph representing the union men, declares company "spotters" are sending fake messages and using names similar to union members to muddy the situation.
The Chicago district is leading in the number of honor committees. More than 2,200 honor flags have been awarded.

FOUR SEPARATE DEFEATS MET IN PITCHED BATTLE

Fighting One Complete Failure for Germans Apart From Capture of Kemmel.

HOPEFUL AUGURY AT YPRES

Defensive Victory Like Monday's Counts Far in Destroying Enemy's Strength.

(Associated Press.)
London (via Ottawa), May 1.—As details of Monday's fighting are received confirming the fact that it was the worst day the Germans have experienced since the opening of the great offensive, the English newspapers, hitherto reticent in view of the fluctuations of the battle, now comment on the operation in a tone of confidence they have not hitherto displayed.
The Times says: "Of all the violent combats witnessed in the last few weeks, we know of none which is a more hopeful augury for the allies than this ten-mile German failure."
It is pointed out that the public is apt to be misled by the fact of offensive success, but defensive victory like that on Monday may contribute equally toward the ultimate object of the campaign, namely, destruction of the enemy's fighting strength. From this viewpoint, the Germans, despite their spectacular successes, can be regarded as having had the worst of the balance of nearly six weeks' fighting, for it must not be forgotten that they sustained a series of disastrous losses, which that of Monday was the most sanguinary of the last fortnight.

Four Separate Defeats.

Indeed, apart from the capture of Kemmel hill, it has been one complete failure, including four separate defeats in pitched battles. These were on La Bassée canal, on the Belgian front, at Villers-Bretonneux, and now on the Italian front. The cumulative effect of this, which that of Monday was the most sanguinary of the last fortnight.

Other strokes undoubtedly will come before the German reserves are exhausted, but confidence is felt that wherever the Germans try they will find the allies ready. Nor that the attack of no fewer than a hundred thousand Germans has been broken in their advance on ground so favorable to the thinner allied line, there is a growing hope that Ypres will not be abandoned. The Germans apparently are as anxious to capture Ypres as they were to take Verdun two years ago. It is now looking as though their experience at the French fortress was about to be repeated. The loss of Ypres, the newspaper says, would be less serious than the loss of Verdun would have been. But now that the allies have shown their ability to hold positions with a force smaller in comparison to that of their assailants, it may be advantageous to hold Ypres and continue to inflict enormous losses.

Favored on Monday.

The correspondents emphasize the fact that everything favored the Germans on Monday. They had magnificent artillery support, a favorable fog, innumerable machine guns, masses of men, a d unlimited explosives, yet they failed after experiencing a day of steady slaughter which only slackened with the fading light.

The British attack between La Clyette and Zillebeke defeated five German divisions, but French valor also is praised in the highest terms. They were fighting alongside the British with their batteries firing from the same fields in the spirit of the most loyal co-operation. The Daily News concludes a hopeful editorial on the whole position with this paragraph:
"The new British advance in Mesopotamia threatens the most vulnerable heel of the German military system. Things are not going too well in Russia. The fact that Germany wants her prisoners in Russia back on her own terms throws some light on the state of her military power problem, for it is clear that Germany's effort to browbeat Holland is working to her advantage. Added to her economic anxiety Germany has her hands pretty full."

LILLARD AND SHOULDERS RESIGN FROM HEALTH BOARD

(Special to The News.)
Nashville, May 1.—At a meeting of the state board of health held Tuesday afternoon the resignations of Dr. R. Q. Lillard, secretary and executive officer, and Dr. H. H. Shoulders, assistant secretary and registrar or vital statistics, were accepted.
Dr. Lillard's resignation is to take effect June 1. He will be succeeded in office by Dr. Olin West, the board having elected him to the position immediately.

The vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Dr. Shoulders, will be filled by Dr. Olin West, who will take over that department without delay.

Dr. West is at present state director of rural sanitation, to which he was appointed jointly by the state board of health and the federal bureau of health. Dr. Shoulders and Lillard were members of the board of health since the board's organization in 1915. Dr. West is a native of Tennessee and has been in the service of the state for many years.